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3,000 BRITISH SLAIN IN SIX-HOUR BATTLE EX-PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONER WOOD INDICTED

NORSEMAN SENT TO BOTTOM IN NEW RAID OF SUBMARINES ALONG THE BRITISH COAST

Lately Requisitioned by the British Government and Was Presumably Carrying Munitions of War Between England and Her Allies

LONDON, Jan. 25.—The Dominion liner Norseman has been sunk by a submarine, according to a Liverpool despatch to the Exchange Telegraph.

The Norseman was a 10,750 ton steel screw steamer, owned by the British and North Atlantic Steamship Company of Liverpool and flew the British flag.

She has been in service in the Atlantic and presumably was sunk in the waters around the British Isles. If this presumption is correct she is the largest liner, excepting the Lusitania and Arabic, sunk in British waters by a submarine.

The Norseman was built in Belfast in 1897 and was used on the runs between Montreal and Liverpool, Portland and Liverpool and also in the Boston and Philadelphia service. The vessel was commanded by Capt. Berry and carried a crew of about fifty men.

The Norseman was recently in the service of the International Mercantile Marine and came to New York last November. She sailed from New York with a large cargo of war munitions on Nov. 22, arriving in Liverpool on Dec. 7. Shortly afterward the steamship was requisitioned by the British Government. Whether she was used as a transport or to carry war supplies is not known at the International Mercantile Marine offices, but because of her tremendous capacity it is presumed that she was in the munition and supply carrying service.

LUSITANIA NOTE "UNSATISFACTORY" TO UNITED STATES

Announcement That It Meets Demands Is Declared to Be an Invention.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—That an unsatisfactory rather than satisfactory turn has been given the Lusitania negotiations by Germany's latest note was indicated at the White House to-day.

It was officially stated that the printed announcement that the German note meets all of the United States demands "was pure supposition and unjustified by the facts."

It was revealed that the note was delivered to Secretary of State Lansing by Ambassador Bernstorff Saturday and by Lansing to President Wilson yesterday. The latter to-day placed it before his Cabinet.

To the end that he may clear up the situation as far as possible before he leaves on his Western trip, the President will confer at length with Secretary Lansing to-morrow afternoon. He has changed his time of leaving for New York from to-morrow noon to to-morrow midnight, in order to have this conference. In the meantime it is possible the Secretary may go over the matter again with Ambassador Bernstorff, though announcement has not been made of arrangements for such a meeting.

The most important feature of the note, according to the stories to which the State Department is said to object, are those telling that Germany has refrained from mentioning any warnings to United States citizens to stay off the Lusitania and her modification of her refusal to concede wrongdoing on the part of the submarine commander.

It is reported in the note Germany renounces the offer to pay an indemnity for the loss of 115 Americans lost on the Lusitania.

LINER NOORDAM HALTS VOYAGE TO GET COAL

Steamer Headed Here Runs Out of Fuel on Stormy Voyage and Puts In at St. Johns.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Jan. 25.—The steamship Noordam of the Holland-America Line, with its fuel supply exhausted because of delays during stormy weather, arrived here to-day and will remain thirty-six hours to replenish her bunkers. A large number of the Ford peace delegates are on board. It is a four days' run from here to New York.

The Noordam encountered bad weather off the coast of England shortly after leaving Rotterdam. The vessel made less than 100 miles a day part of the time and is now ten days behind schedule.

LET WOMEN DECIDE VOTES FOR WOMEN

Assembly Bill Calls for a Special Election at Which They Settle Question of Suffrage.

ALBANY, Jan. 25.—Let the women of the State themselves decide whether or not they want the ballot is the plea expressed in a bill introduced by Assemblyman Cottino to-day. Its presentation appeared to be frowned on by suffragists, lobbying about the chamber for the submission of another equal suffrage referendum to the male electorate.

Specifically the Cottino measure provides for a special election day for "women who possess the qualifications to vote for officers other than the qualifications of men." The proposed election would be held on the Monday preceding the general election day in 1916. No registration for voting would be required.

The women's decision would not necessarily be final. The principal purpose of the election would be to determine the sentiment of the women of the State on the question of conferring on them the right to vote.

MRS. MOHR READY TO TELL STORY ON WITNESS STAND

Defense Is to Call Her as One of Its First Witnesses at Murder Trial.

WILL ACCUSE DOCTOR.

More Proof of Confessions of Alleged Accomplices Given to the Jury.

(Special From a Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 25.—Mrs. Elizabeth Tiffany Mohr is to take the witness stand in her own defense against the charge that she conspired with two negroes, offering them promises of money if they would waylay and murder her husband, Dr. C. Franklin Mohr.

This is the plan of her attorneys, formulated upon the case as it lies to-day before the jury in the Superior Court. And it is part of the plan that she shall make a frank and full statement of her entire life with Dr. Mohr, laying herself open to the most searching cross-examination.

Furthermore, Mrs. Mohr will be one of the very first witnesses called when the defense presents its case. It is intended that the story Mrs. Mohr has to tell of her alleged sufferings at the hands of her husband shall disclose without reserve his relationship with other women, to which there has been constant reference during the progress of the trial. This may bring into the case the names of many persons well known in Newport and Providence and disclose at least what she knows of the mysterious "little red book" the physician is alleged to have kept.

Mrs. Mohr will make utter denial of the charges against her in the so-called confessions of the negroes that she badgered them into making, saying that whatever communication she had with them was as the wife of their employer. As to the bringing of her name into the present case, her attorneys will show that it was George W. Rooks, brother-in-law of Miss Emily G. Burger, the handsome young woman who was with Dr. Mohr when he was killed and received two bullets that night, who first suggested her as a party to the assassination.

HEALIS'S BROTHER CONFIRMS CONFESSION.

Herbert B. Healis, a brother of George W. Healis, the chauffeur of Dr. Mohr's car, in which he was shot to death, was an important witness.

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"It Takes Nine Tailors to Make a Coat!"

This may be true so far as song and story are concerned. But, as a matter of fact, ONE GOOD tailor can make MANY GOOD coats.

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WOOD INDICTED, FACES LONG PRISON TERM FOR SOLICITING \$5,000 BRIBE ON P. S. BOARD

Ex-Commissioner Pleads Not Guilty; Is Granted Week's Time to Change Plea and Released Under \$7,500 Bail.

Robert Colgate Wood was indicted to-day for soliciting a bribe while he was a Public Service Commissioner. The principal witness against Wood was Sidney G. Johnson, Vice President of the Union Switch and Signal Company of Pittsburgh, Pa., who swore that Wood asked him for \$5,000 as a condition for Wood's turning over to him the contract for the Centre Street loop of the new subway. The maximum penalty upon conviction is ten years' imprisonment.

Wood appeared before the bar of the Court of General Sessions at 12:30 o'clock and Clerk Cowing said:

"Robert Colgate Wood, you have been indicted for the crime of soliciting a bribe. What have you to say?"

"The defendant enters a plea of not guilty," replied his counsel, William M. Parke of Stanfield & Levy, "and asks for one week's time in which to withdraw the plea and make such motions as are necessary."

The motion was granted, and Harold Norris, for the National Security Company, gave \$7,500 bail for Wood. The indicted man was asked if he had anything to say about the charge. He answered with a long, loud "NO-O-O!" His lawyer, Mr. Parke, said:

"Enough has been printed already about this matter. Why add to it?" After Johnson had testified before the Thompson investigating committee last month, he was called before the Grand Jury by District Attorney Perkins. The case was put over until the new administration came in. District Attorney Swann put Assistant District Attorneys Kilroe and James O'Malley in charge of it.

Three witnesses were examined to-day—Henry A. Bullock, Secretary of the New York Municipal Railway Company; William S. Mendham, Chief Engineer of the New York Municipal Railway Company, and Travis H. Whitney, Secretary of the Public Service Commission.

Foreman Frank H. Cahot handed up the indictment of Wood to Judge Mulqueen in the Court of General Sessions. The Judge said:

"I understand you have finished the important matter which you have been considering. In discharging you I express to you the thanks of the community, with full appreciation of the value of your work and the zeal displayed by you."

One of the strongest parts of Mr. Johnson's testimony was his description of the office at No. 43 Exchange Place, where, he said, Wood asked him for the bribe. Johnson told of finding the office furniture piled up, as if for removal. It is a fact that Wood had dismantled the office after being appointed on the Public Service Commission.

Johnson also described Wood's office boy, Albert Perry, whom they found in the office when they entered, and Wood asked to go away for a while. "The detectives have found Perry's lodgings in New Jersey, but have not been able to subpoena him," Johnson, in his testimony, after describing the furniture piled against the wall of the office and Wood's request to the office boy to leave, continued:

"Q. Tell us what was said?" A. Well, Mr. Wood asked me whether there would not be a commission in this case."

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STAR DANCING GIRL WHO FIGURES IN THE RUSSIAN BALLET.



RUSSIAN BALLET, LIKED BY QUEENS, TONED DOWN HERE

No More Will Satyr Express Love by Lying Down on Scarf of Faun.

Hereafter the horned and cloven-footed Satyr in his afternoon gambols as represented by the Ballet Russe at the Century Theatre will not lie down on the scarf dropped by the beautiful Faun with whom he falls in love. Instead, he will pick up the scarf and the ballet number, "Scheherazade," when their masters, the Sultans, leave their harems, they will make their gleeful antics more dignified.

These changes were decided on yesterday by Chief City Magistrate William McAdoo in Mulberry Street Court to-day. Magistrate McAdoo sat as referee-critic in settling the differences between critics of the Ballet Russe and the representatives of the company.

M. de Diaghileff, Russian ballet master, and his assistants were summoned before the Magistrate on the request of Third Deputy Police Commissioner Dunham, who had received several letters complaining of the ballet. Mr. Dunham had requested Mrs. Clarence Burns, Miss Helen Hoffman, H. C. Barber, Superintendent of the Parkhurst Society for the Prevention of Vice, and Suppt. Sumner of the Comstock Society for the Prevention of Vice, to attend the Ballet Russe.

Following the executive session in which the Ballet Russe was placed on the scales of justice, Manager Brown said the chief objections were made to the actions of the progress in the harem scene of "Scheherazade," and to the antics of the Satyr with the scarf of the Faun. The critics did not think Mr. Brown said with cutting sarcasm, that the Satyr should be down on the scarf in the suggestive way he did. If that Satyr wanted to show his affection for a piece of textile belonging to the object of his affection why didn't he kiss the scarf?

In the story book which the critics had read the heroes kissed roses, gloves and handkerchiefs belonging to their lady loves, he said.

"I am surprised to find objections to the ballet in a free country like America," said M. de Diaghileff. "I have given performances of 'The Faun' and 'Scheherazade' before the Queen of England, the Queen of Belgium and the German Emperor and, of course, before the royal family of Russia. The beautiful dances of the Satyr and the Negroes inspired ideas in the minds of your critics which never occurred to Stravinsky, author of the music of Ballet, the artist who designed the wonderful costumes."

Report Woods May Be Head of State Prisons

Visit of Police Commissioner to Governor To-Day Gives Rise to Rumor.

ALBANY, Jan. 25.—Action Woods, Police Commissioner of New York, conferred with Governor Whitman to-day. The visit gave rise to reports that Woods had been offered the Superintendency of State Prisons to succeed John B. Riley.

TURKS REPULSE THE BRITISH ON WAY TO RELIEVE TROOPS PENNED UP AT KUT-EL-AMARA

Gen. Aylmer Makes Desperate but Ineffective Effort to Reach Gen. Townshend's Forces and Loses 6,000 Men, Killed and Wounded.

GETS A TRUCE OF ONE DAY IN ORDER TO BURY THE DEAD.

BERLIN, via wireless to Sayville, L. I., Jan. 25.—British troops have lost more than 6,000 in killed and wounded and have been repulsed in attempts to relieve the garrison surrounded by the Turks at Kut-el-Amara, according to an official statement from the Turkish War Office to-day.

"On the Irak front, English forces coming from Imann Ali Gharbi on Jan. 21 attacked Turkish positions near Menlarie, about twenty-one miles east of Kut-el-Amara on both banks of the Tigris," said the Turkish statement. "The engagement lasted for six hours. All English attacks were repulsed. By our counter-attacks the English were driven several miles further eastward."

"The English left on the battlefield about 3,000 dead and as many wounded. The Turkish losses were comparatively light. Gen. Aylmer, commander of the English forces, asked and was granted a one day's truce in order to bury his dead."

"English prisoners stated that the English lost 3,000 in the preceding engagements near Sheikh Saad. The Turks attacked English detachments advancing west of Korna from Montek, causing the English to retreat, leaving 100 dead upon the field."

GERM N GUNS WRECK NIEUPORT CATHEDRAL

Roman Catholic Edifice Razed by Artillery on "Observation Post" Plea.

BERLIN, Jan. 25 (via London).—The Roman Catholic Cathedral at Nieuport, says the German official statement issued this afternoon, has been destroyed by our artillery fire, a fact offering an excellent observation post.

"East of Neuville," says the War office report, "our troops attacked one of the foremost trenches of the French, following some successful mine explosions, and captured three machine guns and 100 prisoners. Several enemy counter attacks against the captured positions went no further than a miserable effort. Only a few stout-hearted men left their trenches, and they were shot down."

"A German aeroplane squadron attacked the military establishments and aerodrome at Nancy and the factories of Bucara. A French biplane fell with its occupants near Benoit, northwest of Thiaucourt. The machine and crew were undamaged."

GREAT MEADOW PRISON CONVICTION UPHELD

Court of Appeals Decides Hudson Valley Construction Company Must Pay Fine.

ALBANY, Jan. 25.—The Court of Appeals to-day affirmed the conviction of the Hudson Valley Construction Company, indicted in connection with the construction of the Great Meadow prison at Comstock, Washington County.

The case was tried in Washington County before Justice Henry V. Borst. The company was fined \$500. Cornelius V. Collins, former State Superintendent of Prisons, and Frank H. Ware, former State Architect, and Charles Sussdorf, Deputy State Architect, were also indicted on a charge of irregularities in connection with the building of the prison.

The indictment against Collins was dismissed and a motion to dismiss the Ware and Sussdorf indictments is pending before Justice Borst.

SAILING TO-DAY.

City of Columbus, Savannah... 3 P. M.
Lvansville, Bermuda... 5 P. M.